SENATE BILL No. 630

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-1-1.1-11.

Synopsis: Charter school review. Requires the department of education to conduct an evaluation and review of each charter school's program, academic achievement, and finances for each five years of operation. Requires a report to be submitted to the governor, superintendent of public instruction, the state budget agency, and the legislative council.

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Effective: July 1, 2005.

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January 24, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2004 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 1. IC 20-1-1.1-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
1, 2005]: Sec. 11. (a) The department of education shall conduct an
evaluation and review of each charter school's program, academic
achievement, and finances for each five years of operation.

- (b) In carrying out the provisions of this section, the department shall prepare a report that focuses on the following areas:
 - (1) Results of all standardized testing, including ISTEP and the graduation qualifying exam.
 - (2) The educational methods and teaching methods employed.
- (3) Daily attendance records.
 - (4) Graduation statistics (if appropriate), including attainment of Core 40 and academic honors diplomas.
 - (5) Financial information.
 - (c) The department of education may contract with an independent agency to conduct the evaluation and review. The sponsor of a charter school may not conduct the evaluation and



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1	review required under this section.
2	(d) The report described in subsection (b) shall be prepared
3	based on the results of the evaluation and review conducted and
4	submitted to the following:
5	(1) The governor.
6	(2) The superintendent of public instruction.
7	(3) The state budget committee.
8	(4) The legislative council in electronic form under IC 5-14-6.

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